GOVERNMENT OF ANDHRA PRADESH
ABSTRACT

Public Services – Sri B. Bhagavan, the then Bill Collector, Venkatagiri Municipality, SPSR Nellore District - Disciplinary Proceedings instituted under Rule-20 of And+hra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991 – Enquiry conducted – Penalty of withholding of Five(5) Annual Grade Increments with cumulative effect, besides recovery of 30% in misappropriated amount of Rs.4,74,152/- - Imposed - Orders - Issued.

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MUNICIPAL ADMINISTRATION & URBAN DEVELOPMENT (Vig.II-2) DEPARTMENT

G.O.RT.No. 470 **Dated: 20-07-2016**

Read the following:-

1. From CDMA, A.P. Hyd Lr.Roc.No.13098/2010/C2, Dt.27.08.2011.
2. G.O.Rt.No.1228 MA&UD(Vig.II-1) Dept., dated 21.09.2011.
3. WSD of Sri B. Bhagavan, the then Bill Collector, Venkatagiri Municipality,dt.25.02.2012.
4. G.O.Rt.No.1325 MA&UD(Vig.II-2) Dept dt.03.10.2012.
5. From Enquiry Officer Lr.Roc.No.VC, KUDA, Wgl-2/2014(Venkatagiri), dt.23.05.2014.
6. Govt Memo No.3518/Vig.II-1/2011, dt.15.09.2014.
7. Written representation of Sri B. Bhagavan, the then Bill Collector, Venkatagiri Municipality, dt.02.01.2015.
8. Govt Letter No.3518/Vig.II-1/2011, dt.10.05.2016.
9. From the Principal Secretary, APPSC Lr.No.348/DC&C/2/2016, dt.15.06.2016.

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O R D E R:

In the references 1st read above, the Commissioner of Director of Municipal Administration, A.P, Hyderabad has furnished the draft articles of charges against Sri B. Bhagavan, the then Bill Collector, Venkatagiri Municipality, SPSR Nellore District on committing financial irregularities in Venkatagiri Municipality under Rule-20 of Andhra Pradesh Civil Services (Classification, Control and Appeal) Rules, 1991. Accordingly, Government have issued the following charges against the charged officer in the reference 2nd read above:-

Charge No.1:

That he had failed to under take out door inspection daily for a period of 4 hours in the forenoon and failed to perform his legitimate duties in closely watching the work of Bill Collector and failed to supervise the activities of the Bill Collectors, with the result facilitiated Sri V. Raja, outsourced Bill Collector to misappropriate the amount of Rs.15,80,504/-

Charge No.2:

That he had failed to check the daily collections made by the Bill Collector received at Municipal Treasury to make necessary postings in the registers.

Charge No.3:

That he had failed to verify the 10% of the receipts issued by Bill Collector with reference to entries made in the memoranda and submit a monthly report.

Charge No.4:

That he had failed to ensure that Bill Collectors remit the collection of the day into Municipal treasury on that day itself, as per the entries made in the memoranda and the Challan Register/Irsalanama.

Charge No.5:

That he had failed to submit diary together with the diaries of the Bill Collectors of his area.

Charge No.6:

That he had exhibited negligence in discharging his duties and conduct unbecoming a member of service and thereby contravened Rule 3 of APCS(Conduct) Rules, 1964.

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2. In the reference 3rd read above, the charged officer has submitted written statement of defense duly denying the charges framed against him. After examination the written statement of defense, in the reference 4th read above, orders were issued appointing Enquiry Officer to inquire into the charges.

3. In the reference 5th read above, the Enquiry Officer has submitted his enquiry report and held that out of six charges, four charges were partly proved and two charges were proved against Sri B. Bhagavan, the then Bill Collector, Venkatagiri Municipality, SPSR Nellore District during the enquiry.

4. In the reference 6th read above, copies of Enquiry Report were communicated to the Charged Officer Sri B. Bhagavan, the then Bill Collector, Venkatagiri Municipality, SPSR Nellore District duly mentioning disagreement of factors to offer his written representations on the findings of Inquiry Authority in terms of Rule 21(2) of APCS(CCA) Rules, 1991. In the said reference, he was show caused as to why proportionate share of misappropriated amount shall not be recovered from him. In the reference 7th read above, Sri B. Bhagavan, the then Bill Collector, Venkatagiri Municipality, SPSR Nellore District has submitted his written representation by denying the findings of the Inquiry Authority and requested the Govt. to drop further action in the matter.

5. Government have examined the matter and provisionally decided to impose a penalty of stoppage of five annual grade increments with cumulative effect against Sri B. Bhagavan, the then Bill Collector, Venkatagiri Municipality, SPSR Nellore District, besides recovery of the proportionate amount of Rs.4,74,152/- from misappropriated amount from him. Accordingly, the Principal Secretary, A.P.P.S.C, A.P, Hyderabad was addressed to convey their concurrence to the above proposal. In the reference 8th read above, the Principal Secretary, APPSC, Hyderabad has stated that the Commission has agreed to the above proposal of Government i.e., stoppage of five(5) annual grade increments with cumulative effect, besides recovery of 30% in misappropriated amount i.e., Rs.4,74,152/- from the Charged Officer.

6. Government after examination of the matter hereby impose a penalty of stoppage of five(5) annual grade increments with cumulative effect against Sri B. Bhagavan, the then Bill Collector, Venkatagiri Municipality, SPSR Nellore District in terms of Rule-9 of APCS(CCA) Rules, 1991. Government also hereby order to recover the proportionate 30% of the misappropriated amount i.e., Rs.4,74,152/- from Sri B. Bhagavan, the then Bill Collector, Venkatagiri Municipality, SPSR Nellore District.

7. The Director of Municipal Administration, A.P, Guntur shall take necessary action in the matter accordingly.

(BY ORDER AND IN THE NAME OF THE GOVERNOR OF ANDHRA PRADESH)

R. KARIKAL VALAVEN
PRINCIPAL SECRETARY TO GOVERNMENT

To
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through the DMA, A.P, Guntur
The Director of Municipal Administration, A.P, Guntur
Copy to:
The Commissioner, Venkatagiri Municipality, SPSR Nellore District.
The APVC, AP Secretariat, Hyderabad.
The Principal Secretary, APPSC, Nampally, Hyderabad.
The RDMA, Guntur.
The Principal Accountant General(A&E), AP. Hyderabad.
Sf/Sc.

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SECTION OFFICER